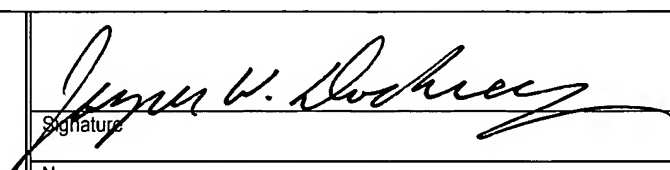


Date of Deposit: June 24, 2004

FORM PTO-1390 (REV. 8-93)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		CASE NO. 9905/23	
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371				U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) <b>10/500196</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/FR02/04383</b>		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>December 17, 2002</b>		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>December 28, 2001</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>METHOD AND ZONE FOR SEALING BETWEEN TWO MICROSTRUCTURE SUBSTRATES</b>					
APPLICANTS FOR DO/EO/US <b>Bernard Diem, Stéphane Caplet, and Marie-Thérèse Delaye</b>					
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:					
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371</p> <p>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9), and (21) indicated below.</p> <p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The U.S. has been elected (Article 31).</p> <p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>7. <input type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">d. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)) and/or amendments under Article 34.</p>					
<b>Items 11 to 20 Below concern other document(s) or information included:</b>					
<p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98; PTO Form 1449; copies of cited references A4-A5; copy of International Search Report.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment with attached Exhibits A (marked-up specification), B (substitute specification), and C (Abstract).</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</p> <p>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825.</p> <p>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</p> <p>19. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: Five (5) sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-10); Request, International Application Published Under PCT (in French).</p>					

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.50) <b>10/500196</b>		INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/FR02/04383</b>		CASE NO. <b>9905/23</b>																					
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted: <b>Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):</b> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$1060.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$900.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO. .... \$750.00  International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$720.00  International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... \$100.00  <div style="text-align: center;"><b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT</b></div> Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 25%;">Claims</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Number Filed</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Number Extra</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Rate</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Total Claims</td> <td>25 - 20 =</td> <td>5</td> <td>x \$ 18.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Independent Claims</td> <td>2 - 3 =</td> <td>0</td> <td>x \$ 84.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">Multiple dependent claim(s) if Applicable)</td> <td>0</td> <td>+ \$280.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="3" style="text-align: right;"><b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b></td> <td><b>\$</b></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. <div style="text-align: right;"><b>SUBTOTAL =</b></div> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>\$</b></div> Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than the <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). <div style="text-align: right;"><b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b></div> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>\$</b></div> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b></div> <div style="text-align: right;"><b>\$ 990.00</b></div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: flex-end; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="text-align: right; width: 150px;">Amount to be refunded</div> <div style="text-align: right; width: 100px;">\$</div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: flex-end; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="text-align: right; width: 150px;">charged</div> <div style="text-align: right; width: 100px;">\$</div> </div>				Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Total Claims	25 - 20 =	5	x \$ 18.00	Independent Claims	2 - 3 =	0	x \$ 84.00	Multiple dependent claim(s) if Applicable)		0	+ \$280.00	<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>			<b>\$</b>	<div style="text-align: center;"><b>CALCULATIONS</b></div> <div style="text-align: center;"><b>PTO USE ONLY</b></div>	
				Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate																		
				Total Claims	25 - 20 =	5	x \$ 18.00																		
				Independent Claims	2 - 3 =	0	x \$ 84.00																		
				Multiple dependent claim(s) if Applicable)		0	+ \$280.00																		
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>			<b>\$</b>																						
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$990.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.																									
b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.																									
c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.																									
d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.																									
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.																									
Send All Correspondence to: Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione P.O. Box 10395 Chicago, IL 60610				<div style="text-align: center; font-size: 1.2em;">  </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">             Signature              Name              Jasper W. Dockrey              Registration Number: 33,868           </div>																					